

A STATE FUNERAL

President McKinley's Remains Taken to Washington.

TOUCHING SERVICE SUNDAY AT THE MILBURN HOME.

Roosevelt Takes the Oath of Office.

Buffalo, N. Y., Sept. 15.—Buffalo today became a city of mourners. The gay and flaming decorations of the Pan-American exposition gave way to the symbol of sorrow. The black drapery of the city's streets muffled the tolling bells of the churches. Bits of crepe appeared on every sleeve. The sorrow was apparent everywhere. In the morning a simple service took place at the residence on Delaware avenue where the martyred president died. A hymn was sung and prayer was offered over the dead body. That was all. Only the immediate family and the friends and political associates of the late president were present. The scene there was pathetic in the extreme.

In the drawing room to the right of the hall as President Roosevelt entered, the dead chieftain was stretched upon his bier. His head was to the rising sun. On the noble face was written the story of the Christian forbearance with which he had met his martyrdom. A look of calm and peaceful resignation was on the marblelike features. Only the thinness of the face bore mute testimony to the patient suffering he had endured. He was dressed as he always did in life. The black frock coat was buttoned across the breast where the first bullet of the assassin had struck. The black string tie below the standing collar showed the little triangle of white shirt front. The right hand lay at his side. The left was across his body.

The body was borne out to the waiting cortege on the brawny shoulders of eight sailors and soldiers. The cortege passed through solid walls of humanity, bareheaded and grief stricken, to the city hall, where the body lay in state this afternoon. There a remarkable demonstration occurred, which proved how close the president was to the hearts of the people.

Arrangements had been made to allow the public to view the body from the time it arrived, at about 1.30 o'clock. But the people were wedged into the streets for blocks. Two lines were formed. They extended literally for miles. When 5 o'clock came 40,000 people had already passed and the crowds waiting below in the streets seemed undiminished. It was decided to extend the time until midnight. Then for hours longer the streets were dense with people and a constant stream flowed up the steps of the broad entrance into the hall and passed the bier. When the doors were closed at midnight it was estimated that 80,000 people had viewed the remains, but thousands of disappointed ones were still in the streets.

The body will lie in the city hall until morning. It will be taken to the station by a military escort tomorrow morning and at 8.30 the funeral train will make a start for Washington over the Pennsylvania railroad. Mrs. McKinley, the president, the cabinet and relatives and friends of the dead president will accompany the remains. Mrs. McKinley bore up bravely today during the service at the Milburn residence and Dr. Rixey, her physician, thinks she will be able to support her trying part in the state funeral at Washington. The remains will be interred at Canton, Ohio.

New President Sworn in.

Buffalo, N. Y. Sept. 15.—Theodore Roosevelt, who has been tragically elevated to the chief magistracy of the American republic by the death of President McKinley, entered this city Saturday afternoon, after a remarkable and perilous journey from the heart of the north woods. He had been president under the constitution since the minute the martyred president ceased to live; but he was powerless as the humblest citizen to exercise the powers until he had taken the presidential oath. He took the oath at 3.30 Saturday afternoon in the library at the residence of Ansley Wilcox, a personal friend with whom he stayed earlier in the week.

The new president had just come from the Milburn house. Overcome by the deep personal emotion he felt, in his characteristically impulsive way he had gone first to the house of mourning to offer his condolence to the broken hearted widow. Secretary Root, who 20 years ago had been present at a similar scene

when General Arthur took the oath, almost broke down when he requested Mr. Roosevelt on behalf of the cabinet to take the oath. The president was visibly shaken, but he controlled himself and when he lifted his hand to swear it was as steady as if carved in marble.

With the deep solemnity of the occasion full upon him, he announced to those present that his aim was to be William McKinley's successor in deed as well as in name. Deliberately he proclaimed it in these words:

"In this hour of deep and terrible national bereavement I wish to state that it shall be my aim to continue absolutely without variance the policy of President McKinley for the peace and prosperity and honor of our beloved country."

President Roosevelt's first step after taking the oath was to ask the members of the cabinet to retain their portfolios in order to aid him to conduct the government on lines laid down by him whose policy he had declared he would uphold. Every member, including Secretary of State Hay and Secretary of the Treasury Gage, who were communicated with in Washington, have agreed for the present to retain their portfolios.

A Poisoned Bullet.

Milburn House, Buffalo, Sept. 15.—The official announcement of the physicians as a result of their autopsy on the president's body that death resulted from gangrene of the wounds led to much discussion. Dr. Wasdin strongly supports the view that the murderous bullet had been poisoned. The area of this dead and gangrened flesh was a source of much surprise to the surgeons, reaching a circumference about the size of a silver dollar about the internal wounds.

Breaking Sad News to Widow.

Buffalo, Sept. 16.—It is definitely learned today that it was Mrs. Barber, Mrs. McKinley's sister, who broke the news of her great loss to the stricken wife. She went from the bedside of the dead President to the wife, whose condition was such that it seemed best to remove her from the sick room before the end.

Mrs. McKinley is occupying a large south room in the Milburn house, overlooking Delaware avenue and Ferry street. Through the drawn shades the early morning light was breaking when Mrs. Barber told her that the sleep into which the President had passed would know no awakening.

Mrs. McKinley, whose extreme delicacy was for years the President's one great sorrow, received the news with unexpected calmness, and at once acquiesced in the request of her physician and family, to leave the details of the sad ceremonies in which the entire nation is to join, entirely in the hands of the official and personal friends who are assembled.

All day long she has remained quietly in her room, stricken to the soul, but bravely bearing her sad burden, because she knows "the major," as she lovingly calls the late President, would bid her to do so.

Dr. Rixey, who for years has guarded her from all excitement, and was in constant attendance during her recent illness in San Francisco, is much encouraged by the way she is bearing up at present, although it is quite possible the strain of the next 24 hours may make it desirable for her to return with her sister to Canton to avoid the serious strain of a state funeral.

PERSONAL INTELLIGENCE.

Movements of People in Whom Our Readers are Interested.

Lorne Grant, of Canterbury, is a guest at Long's hotel today.

W. H. Fry, Equity Court stenographer, of St. John, is at the Queen.

T. I. Flood of T. Flood & Sons, St. John, is a guest at the Queen.

Miss Alice Lee, of St. John, is visiting Mrs. John Sproul, Brunswick street.

E. H. McAlpine, K. C., of St. John, is among the guests at the Queen today.

Prof Leon Morris and wife of Mount Vernon, N. Y., are guests at the Queen.

T. Carleton Ketchum, editor of the Woodstock Press, is a guest at the Queen.

Miss Alfretta Waugh, of Douglas, has gone on a five weeks visit to friends in Boston.

Fred S Hutchinson and wife, of St. Stephen, are among the guests at the Barker.

Miss Julia Lynch returned to her duties at the Carney Hospital, Boston, Mass., on Saturday.

Miss Maud Kelly arrived from St. John Saturday, to visit friends here, and attend the exhibition.

Fred A Estey left this morning for the Tobique lumber woods in charge of a large crew of men.

J A George, who has been spending a few days in the city, left by boat this morning for St. John, en route to Boston.

Walter McFarlane of the New Brunswick Foundry, returned Saturday evening, from a business trip to Cape Breton.

Mrs James Vanstone and family left for Fredericton Saturday morning. They

will be absent two weeks.—Chatham World.

Mrs J C Macdonnell and her little son are in the city on their way from the Georgian Bay, where they have been spending the summer, to Fredericton, N. B., to join Major Macdonnell.—Toronto Star.

The Horse Races.

The trotting park is being rolled and put in first class shape for the big race meeting to take place on the afternoons of Wednesday and Thursday. Local horsemen are looking forward to the event with a great deal of interest and are confident of their ability to capture a good share of the money. Should the weather prove favorable good sport may be expected.

Visitors Arriving.

A number of visitors for the exhibition arrived on Saturday and more came in by boat and train today. While a big influx is expected tomorrow, no doubt Wednesday and Thursday will be the big days.

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Persons wishing to discontinue the use of water must give written notice thereof at the Office previous to the expiration of the time for which payment has been made, otherwise they will be liable for the rent for the ensuing six months.

Owing to the increasing tendency of water consumers to ignore the above Bye Law, it will be strictly enforced in future. Dated this 17th day of August, 1901.

Alex. Burchill.

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